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Ex Parte

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Special Access Rates for Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers, WC Docket No. 05-25

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On October 23, 2012, Charles McKee and Chris Frentrup of Sprint Nextel Corp., and the undersigned, met with Christine Kurth, Legal Advisor to Commissioner McDowell, and Nicholas Degani, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Pai, about the above-referenced proceeding. Specifically, we noted the importance of issuing the data request as quickly as possible, including a *de minimis* exemption for companies that lease a small number of circuits, distinguishing between owned-and-operated and resold circuits, ensuring that the data request requires ILECs to disclose the locations of all relevant facilities that they serve and the companies from which they lease special access circuits, and obtaining data from ILECs on the cost of providing special access services. Sprint also noted that high-level CLEC marketing maps or similar materials are unreliable and inappropriate subjects of the data request.

Additionally, on October 19, 2012, Charles McKee and Chris Frentrup of Sprint and the undersigned spoke by telephone with Eric Ralph, Elizabeth McIntyre, and Jamie Susskind of the Wireline Competition Bureau, regarding the above-captioned proceeding and the upcoming data request. Specifically, FCC staff inquired regarding the definition of IRU and barriers to switching to Ethernet service. Sprint also explained that CLEC marketing materials are unreliable and are inappropriate subjects of the data request.

Pursuant to the Commission's rules, a copy of this notice is being filed electronically in the above-referenced docket. If you require any additional information please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Paul Margie

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cc: meeting participants